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**DECISION AGAINST THE UNION.**

COLUMBUS, O., March 2.—The supreme court has declared to be illegal the law which provides a penalty of \$100 fine and six months imprisonment for any one who discharges a workman because he is a member of a labor union. The case grew out of the Amalgamated Steel Workers' Association strike of two years ago, when Spencer Broome of Walleville, superintendent of the mills of the American Sheet Steel company, discharged Leonard Schaffer and was later indicted under the section named.

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## STATEMENT AND DENIAL.

**J. Harvey Brown Declares the Statements of Teachers of Deaf and Dumb School are False**

The history of the new deaf and dumb school in Lancaster has not been a peaceful one. Shortly after its foundation the matron left, some time afterward a couple of teachers, Mr. Deaver and Miss Mahoney, were discharged for alleged refusal to comply with the rules, then, last week, a boy, Willie McDonald, left the school, because, being a Roman Catholic, he said he had been compelled to attend religious instruction given by the man who is now principal, Rev. Mr. Holland, a member of the sect known as Plymouth Brethren. And on Monday another teacher, Miss Mary Reid, was dismissed because, she alleges, she took the part of this McDonald boy in his dispute with J. Harvey Brown, the founder and acting superintendent of the school.

Miss Reid in an interview in last night's Globe, severely criticised the management of the institution, declaring that neither the principal nor Mr. Brown are at all qualified to conduct a school for the deaf and dumb. Commenting editorially on the matter the Globe demanded an investigation by the local government.

Mr. Brown this morning stated that he has no wish to enter into any controversy about the matter. Referring to the statements of Miss Reid he said that what was not absolutely false was grossly exaggerated.

It is, says Mr. Brown, by no means a one-man establishment. The school is managed by a committee of which A. O. Skinner is the chairman, and he has had the advice and moral support of these gentlemen in whatever he has done since he became principal.

The rules in question were submitted to the committee and fully discussed and afterwards approved by them. Mr. Brown describes the interview published in the Globe as full of spite, and he considers it a personal attack on himself.

## COLUMBIA AGREES.

**Will Present No Further Obstacle in the Way of the Panama Canal Project.**

NEW YORK, March 2.—The suit of the Colombian government brought in Paris to restrain the Panama Canal Company from delivering the canal property to the United States, according to a despatch from New York, and published in the Sun, has been settled out of the courts. The suit it is said, will be withdrawn at once, and the cable message from Brussels is said to have been signed by a high Colombian authority. It is the effect of this satisfactory settlement of the suit, has been agreed upon privately and that the action will be dismissed without further legal formalities.

## CANCER NOT INEVITABLE.

The Great Expectancy Incomplete But Sure of This.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—The cancer research movement initiated by the Royal College of Surgeons, with the co-operation of the Royal Society, Veterinary Colleges, all the London hospitals and the colonial office has, for months, been patiently at work. A member of the Royal College of Surgeons says we have not as yet, any hope of a cure, and until we possess more definite ideas of the nature and cause of cancer our search for a cure must be mere groping in the dark. Even the much vaunted electric cures, Röntgen rays and radium experiments have proved only unavailing but even dangerous.

All that the research movement has established beyond doubt is the fact that cancer is not a parasitic or infective disease.

**WON BATTLE WITH "KISS OF DEATH."**

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 1.—Dr. Charles W. Eaton has received word that Mrs. W. N. Latta, of Madison, who were in the Pasteur Institute in Chicago for several weeks for poisoning, are recovered and have returned to their home. In October last Harold, the pride of the Latta home, was bitten by his pet dog. The child was seized with hydrophobia in a few days and died. Kines printed upon the perched life caused the father and mother and one of Harold's playmates to become inoculated with the poison that Dr. Eaton was called and recommended rescue to Pasteur treatment.

Mrs. Latta is quoted as having said that she would have kissed Harold goodby if she had known the kiss would cause her death.

**MURDERER TO DIE.**

NEW YORK, March 2.—Emil Totterman, convicted of murder in the first degree, for the killing of Sarah Martin in a James Slip hotel, on December 29, was today sentenced to electrocution at Sing Sing prison in the week beginning April 15. The crime attracted wide attention on account of its resemblance in details to the noted "Ripper" murders of London. The victim was a woman of the street.

## A GREAT PILGRIMAGE.

CITY OF MEXICO, Mar. 2.—A great pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and the Holy Land, is being organized here. It is expected that at least two thousand people will make the journey, going in special trains to New York and thence by steamer to France. Many wealthy pilgrims desire to pay their respects to the new pope.

## There will be a carnival tonight on the Carleton open air rink.

The water works department had their apparatus out this afternoon thawing out a hydrant in front of No. 3 engine house.

## RUSSIAN POSITION AT PORT ARTHUR DESPERATE

**Harbor Blocked --- Ammunition Scarce---Only One Cruiser Left**

**Russian Troops on Their Way East Smitten With Smallpox and Other Diseases are Utterly Disheartened**

NEW YORK, March 2.—The position of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur is described by the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Schlesische Zeitung as desperate.

"The damaged Retvizan," he states, "blocks the narrow entrance to the harbor against other battleships. She can neither be repaired nor moved. All the other battleships are landlocked. "Scarcely anything is heard of the torpedo boats and it is assumed that they are without ammunition. They have consequently still only the three cruisers, the Bayan, the patched Novik and Lakor. According to accounts now published, the Novik and the Askold have been put out of action."

RUSSIANS DISHEARTENED.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Reports received here, says a cable to the World from St. Petersburg, from the troops along the route to Harbin, show a disheartening condition of affairs. Disease among the soldiers. A smallpox epidemic is raging in East Siberia and has spread among the regiments, vaccination being unheard of in the army. Pneumonia is claiming many and all ranks are suffering from it. The troops rendered unfit for service by frost bite, intense cold, more than usual, is experienced. The Manchurian army is now billeted in the open. At Irkutsk the temperature has been as low as 45 degrees below zero. The progress of troop trains is constantly impeded by snow drifts.

At every station soldiers partially frozen are left behind, in most cases without other medical attendance than that afforded by rough and ready service that the villagers can supply. The commissariat has broken down badly and the men have often to go twenty-four hours at a stretch without food or drink. The worst portion of the journey is across Lake Baikal.

## FRANCE IS WORRIED.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The French foreign office, according to a Paris despatch to the World, is worried over the movement of Chinese troops to the Manchurian frontier.

The officials fear that Japan may follow her dominion of Korea by coaking or forcing China to be a third party in the combination of "yellow peoples."

The French minister to Peking has been instructed to join the foreign representatives in strongly urging on the Chinese government the necessity of maintaining strict neutrality.

## A CONCESSION TO RUSSIA.

SUEZ, March 2.—The Russian armored cruiser Dimitri Donkoi, which applied for permission to remain here for repairs, has been allowed five days in which to complete the necessary work.

## RUSSIAN TRANSPORT.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2.—General Kozlov, who is on his way to the Far East, telegraphs to war minister Sakharoff from Tomsk, Siberia.

"During my long journey I saw several divisions of troops. Their transport was proceeding in perfect order. The men were provided with warm clothing. At Chelabinsk everything is in the close control of the military chief of the district, who sees personally that the troops are supplied with warm garments."

## JAPAN AND U. S.

CHICAGO, March 2.—Eki Hiki, first secretary of the Japanese legation at Washington, and Tsuburo Koshi, of Yokohama, have arrived at Chicago en route from Yokohama to Washington. Secretary Hiki was one of the Japanese commissioners who drew up the treaty between China and Japan at Shanghai last fall, while Koshi, the American treaty with China, provided for the opening of the ports of Mukden, Antung and Tientsin to Japan.

The United States and Japan are united in the open door policy and the integrity of China. Japan and the United States would suffer most from the acquisition of parts of China by Russia. Russian policy in Manchuria seems to be to exclude all other nations.

The impression among my people is that the government did not go to war quickly enough. They clamored for it long before hostilities began. The people will do all in their power to support the government. Even the Japanese government are helping to provide funds for carrying on the war."

## RUSSIA BUILDING MORE SHIPS.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2.—According to a special despatch from Port Arthur, twenty Chinese have been arrested there for signalling to the Japanese ships from the shore with flash lights and lanterns. An order has been issued that similar offenders will hereafter be treated as spies and shot.

Although it is denied that the present plans of the admiralty contemplate the dispatch of either the Black Sea

Far East has been equally marked. Since the 25th of last June, when under the pretext of trial transportation on the Siberian railway, the Russian government sent to China two infantry brigades, two artillery battalions and a large force of cavalry, troops have been constantly sent by military trains from Russia.

## TO THE FAR EAST.

until at the beginning of February the total augmented strength of the Russian forces was over forty thousand. At the same time plans were being made for sending, if necessary, over 200,000 men more.

"During the same period there has been the greatest activity possible at Port Arthur and at Vladivostok, and work has been carried on day and night to strengthen the fortifications of those naval ports, while forts have been built at Hun Chun, Liao Yan and other strategic points, and large quantities of arms and ammunition have been sent to the Far East by the Siberian railway and the vessels of the volunteer fleet. In the middle of October last a train of fourteen cars was hurriedly sent from Russia laden with equipment of a field hospital.

"From these military and naval preparations of every description made during the progress of the negotiations, it is quite evident that Russia was not inclined to a friendly settlement of the questions then under discussion between Japan and herself, but sought solely by her military preponderance to force Japan into submission. During the latter part of January and up to the beginning of February, Russian military activity was still further intensified. On January 31, about two battalions of infantry and a detachment of cavalry were sent from Port Arthur and Dalny to the north-east.

## FRONTIER OF KOREA.

and on January 28, a formal order to prepare for war was given by Admiral Alekseev to the forces which were stationed in the vicinity of the Yalu. On Feb. 1st, the military commandant in Vladivostok, under the orders of his government, requested the Japanese commercial agent at that port to notify his nationals that as a state of siege might be proclaimed at any moment, they must make immediate preparations to withdraw to Harbinok. About the same date all of the warships at Port Arthur except a battleship then under repair, made a naval demonstration by leaving port, while troops were advanced in large numbers from Liao Yan toward the Yalu.

"In view of these facts which can say that Russia had no warlike intentions, or that she was unprepared for war. Seeing that the situation had become so critical that it admitted of no further delay, the Japanese government was compelled to break off negotiations that had proved abortive and take the necessary steps for self-protection. But the responsibility for the challenge to war rests not with Japan, but solely with Russia.

## PROTECT HER ESTABLISHED RIGHTS.

and legitimate interests. At the same time the government of Japan informed the Russian government that as it moderate and unselfish proposals in the interest of a firm and lasting peace in the Far East had not received the consideration which was their due, Japan had resolved to sever her diplomatic relations with Russia, while the reason named had ceased to possess value, and to withdraw her legation.

"The term 'independent action' naturally included the opening of hostilities. The fact that Russia was unable to understand it in that light is, of course, no reason why the Japanese should be held responsible for the misinterpretation made by Russia. It is the almost unanimous opinion of international jurists that a declaration of war is not an indispensable prerequisite to the opening of hostilities. Indeed, it has been the common practice in recent wars to declare war after hostilities have begun.

While a young woman was making a hurried toilet upstairs her father was entertaining her caller. "By the way, Mr. Spoonmore," he asked, "how do you stand on this question of imperialism?" "Why," responded young Spoonmore, "I've always thought it was—more becoming to most people than a goatee."—Chicago Tribune.

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90c., now 75c.	Flannelette Waists that were:
\$1.00, now 80c.	70c. and 75c., now 55c.
\$1.10, now 90c.	80c. and 85c., now 65c.
\$1.20 and \$1.25, now \$1.00.	\$1.10 and \$1.20, now 95c.
\$1.40, now \$1.10.	\$1.25, now \$1.00.
\$1.50, now \$1.20.	\$1.40, now \$1.10.
\$1.65, now \$1.30.	\$1.50, now \$1.20.
\$1.75, now \$1.40.	\$1.65, now \$1.30.
\$1.85, now \$1.40.	\$1.75, now \$1.40.
50c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 40c.	50c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 40c.
70c. and 75c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 55c.	70c. and 75c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 55c.
80c. and 90c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 65c.	80c. and 90c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 65c.
\$1.00 FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 75c.	\$1.00 FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 75c.
\$1.25 FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 90c.	\$1.25 FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 90c.

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70c. and 75c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 55c.

80c. and 90c. FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 65c.

\$1.00 FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, now 75c.

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## THE WEATHER.

March 2nd, 1904.

Forecasts—Moderate east and south winds, cloudy and milder; light falls of sleet and rain Thursday and Friday night.

Synopsis—Conditions are now favorable for a mild spell with a considerable thaw. Winds to Banks and American ports, moderate and mostly east and south.

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We have just received by steamer Manchester City, three cases of the Latest London Styles in Hats and Caps, Lowest Prices.

"The Balance of our Fur Stock Will go at greatly Reduced Prices to Clear."

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Shaped and Square, Light and Dark. (Bring Pattern.)

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**F. L. POTTS, Auctioneer**

## VALUABLE FURNITURE PROPERTY

BY AUCTION.

I am instructed by the executor of the last will of Mary Graham, late of this city, deceased, to offer for sale at public auction as Chubb's corner, (so called), on Saturday, the 27th day of March, at 3 o'clock, noon, the valuable household property, No. 117 to 119 south side of Union street, consisting of fresh lot No. 225 on the city plan, fronting 40 feet, more or less, on Union street, running back 100 feet, more or less, with the three story wooden building thereon, occupied by J. A. Davidson and Frank Walker, as store and dwellings together with barn and other buildings thereon. For further particulars apply to E. T. Knowles, Palmer building.

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ST. JOHN STAR, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1904.

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The following is a statement of the daily circulation for months of January and February, 1904:

January 1	4,020	February 1	4,500
" 2	4,235	" 2	4,530
" 3	4,150	" 3	4,510
" 4	4,150	" 4	4,530
" 5	4,040	" 5	4,530
" 6	4,280	" 6	4,510
" 7	4,280	" 7	4,530
" 8	4,280	" 8	4,530
" 9	4,280	" 9	4,530
" 10	4,280	" 10	4,530
" 11	4,280	" 11	4,530
" 12	4,280	" 12	4,530
" 13	4,280	" 13	4,530
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" 26	4,280	" 26	4,530
" 27	4,280	" 27	4,530
" 28	4,280	" 28	4,530
" 29	4,280	" 29	4,530
" 30	4,280	" 30	4,530
" 31	4,280	" 31	4,530

Average daily circulation for month of January, 4,338 copies.  
Average daily circulation for the month of February, 4,518 copies.  
Every coupon containing an estimate must be accompanied by a cash payment for subscription to the Star.

25 cents for 1 month, 1 guess. \$2.50 for 6 months, 6 chances.  
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If you are already a subscriber, have the paper sent to a friend who is not. Your friend may be living in the city, the country, or abroad; we will send the paper to him if he resides within the newspaper postage limit.

## COUPON.

I enclose \_\_\_\_\_ for which send the  
ST. JOHN STAR to \_\_\_\_\_  
I estimate that the average daily circulation of the STAR for  
month of March will be \_\_\_\_\_ Copies.  
Name, \_\_\_\_\_  
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The Contest Closes on the 20th March, at 8 p. m.

### A GREAT CONVENTION

Nova Scotia Liberal Conservatives  
Have a Great Meeting at Halifax—  
Mr. Borden Endorsed.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 1.—The Liberal Conservative convention that met here today was the largest and in many respects the best in the history of the party in Nova Scotia. Delegates were present from every part of the province, the total in attendance being about 225. The purpose of the convention was mainly to perfect provincial organization. To this end, for one thing the province was divided into five districts, the chairman of each of which will be a vice-president of the association. R. L. Borden was made honorary president, and John F. Stairs, president. A resolution advocating greater relief for the local government of the old age and permanent disability fund for miners was adopted. A resolution of appreciation of the work of C. E. Tanner, M. P., was adopted, and also the following resolution of appreciation of R. L. Borden:

"That this convention desires to express and place on record its full confidence in R. L. Borden, M. P., as the leader of the Liberal Conservative party of Canada and its hearty approval of the policy he has propounded respecting the tariff, the Grand Trunk Pacific contract, and the conduct of public affairs generally. It also desires to express its high appreciation of the unselfish devotion he has shown in giving practically his whole time to the performance of his political duties and its satisfaction at the response the electorate is making to his efforts to give this country an honest progressive and loyal government."

### WILD WINTER STORMS.

MONTREAL, March 1.—Just as railway men were congratulating themselves that they were about through with their struggles with snow for the season, the worst storm of the winter came along yesterday, and once more things went tightly. The fall was not very heavy, about ten inches, but the wind was blowing from the west, and great piles of snow along the tracks served to keep it just where it was not wanted. Many trains due to arrive here this morning were cancelled, and a great many others came through hours late. The trains particularly affected were those on the Toronto and New York lines. In western Ontario, where considerable of the storm was experienced as rain, the situation was even worse than here. If a big thaw should come at the present time there is no telling what would happen. The oldest of railway men unanimously declare that there never was a winter like it in their remembrance.

### GEORGE W. FOWLER'S PACIFIC COAST TRIP.

George W. Fowler, M. P., who started for British Columbia on Monday, closed a successful deal in British Columbia timber land a few weeks ago. In this he was associated with Rufus Pope, M. P., and others, the group being about the same as that which through the purchase and sale of 200,000 acres of prairie land last year. The timber venture was a large operation also. It is understood that Mr. Fowler and his associates have now an option on other properties in British Columbia, and that Mr. Fowler is going west on this business.

Reporters that Fred B. Hale, M. P., has also been successful in his dealings in British Columbia lumber properties.

### TARTE STOOD OUT.

MONTREAL, March 1.—The grand jury today threw out the libel suit entered by Hon. R. Prefontaine against J. J. Tarte of La Patrie, founded on the publication of "Do you want a job?" circulars. Hugh Graham of the Montreal Star was also arrested, but in his case a settlement was effected, the paper publishing an apology tonight.

### TUPPER SNOWBOUND.

PETERBORO, Ont., March 1.—Sir Charles Tupper, snowbound here on his way east, when interviewed, said most emphatically, "The tariff should be revised by the cabinet." He also said the result of the recent election in St. John was proof of the conservatives' chances in the coming dominion election.

### THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

A. D. Wheeler of the Gannettville fire alarm concern is in town, staying at the Royal. The object of Mr. Wheeler's visit is to investigate into the operation of the new system recently introduced here. He visited No. 3 engine house yesterday, where the operating apparatus is located, and will today go over the whole line.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S LINIMENT to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

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is as near perfection as flour ever gets. It contains all that is best in the wheat. No matter how capable the cook, the best bread cannot be made without Beaver Flour. It is for sale at your grocer's. Ask him for it.

Chronic Constipation cured or money back. LAXA-CALAB TABLETS never fail. Small chocolate coated, easy to take. Price, 25c. at drug-gists.

### FREDERICTON NEWS

FREDERICTON, March 1.—The Roman Catholic church at French Village was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The origin of the fire is as yet unknown. Father LeBlanc, the priest in charge of the parish, was in the city at the time. The villagers managed to save a portion of the church furniture and fixtures. The loss comes heavily upon a comparatively poor congregation and is estimated at \$2,500 with insurance of less than one half that amount.

An adjourned session of the divorce court was held this morning. Judge Gregory delivered judgment in the case of Brewster v. Brewster, granting an absolute divorce to the husband on the ground of adultery. The parties were married at St. John's May 23rd, 1887. Rev. W. B. Hall, Baptist, and lived together until the summer of 1901. The respondents were one Bailey and Benj. B. Smith, both of St. John's. In the case of Stogor v. Stogor Judge Gregory stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Stogor, professor in St. John's, the plaintiff, advising him that the parties were living together again and asking that judgment be not delivered, inasmuch as the parties had not petitioned the court for a dismissal of the suit the letter would be set aside with the record. The case stands.

### WINTER PORT

The Donaldson liner Almora, Captain Bernethy, from Glasgow, reached this port yesterday morning, after a hard and tempestuous passage of 17 days. She has 1,200 tons of cargo. The Almora will sail Saturday for Halifax to complete her return cargo for Glasgow. She will take in her live stock at Halifax.

Capt. Troop, the superintendent of the C. P. R. steamship service, who has been ill at his home here for several days, was greatly improved yesterday, and will probably resume his duties in the course of a day or two. James Doherty, the superintendent of the C. P. R. Bristol service, who has been in St. John nearly all winter, has gone to Montreal. J. H. Diffey, who looks after the Liverpool service, is present here and will attend to his duties for a long part of the present season, along with what Mr. Doherty has been doing in the past.

### TOUCH OF ROMANCE.

Saskatoon and Belfast United by Rev. Dr. Raymond.

It is a long way by land and water from Saskatoon, N. W. T., to Belfast, Ireland, so St. John was made an intermediate point in a pleasant transaction. Last evening, Mr. Raymond, who arrived from Belfast by steamer on Saturday, and Richard Hope, a prosperous young farmer of Saskatoon, came from his home on the train yesterday. Last night the young people had a winter port knot tied by Rev. Dr. Raymond at the home of Mrs. Kerr, Sewell street. They start for the west immediately, and it is safe to say that Mr. Hope's grain will in the future be shipped via the port which brought him happiness.

### BRITISH NAVY ESTIMATES.

LONDON, March 1.—In the course of a discussion of the naval estimates in the house of commons this evening, Premier Balfour while admitting the magnitude of the estimates, said the house should not only consider the amount, but should watch the general conduct of the navy. He said that the amount could justify what the country was asked to expend. The country should not lose sight of the position of war between Great Britain and two great maritime powers, which could be maintained without great loss of part of both the enemies and Great Britain, in which event the other column that I will be ready to meet any waterweight in Eastern Canada for a limited number of rounds any time after April 1st, Littlejohn preferred.

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HALIFAX, N. S., March 1.—The hockey match tonight at Amherst between the Ramblers and the North Sydney teams, for the latter N. S. trophy, resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 11 to 0. North Sydney got all its goals in the first half, and the Ramblers made 7 during the half. Kane of North Sydney was badly hurt by being struck on the shin with a skate and had to leave the ice. In the second half the Ramblers made the score 15 to 1, their opponents failing to make any threats.

### TEAMSTERS' UNION.

The teamsters' union held their usual meeting last night, a good attendance being present. Considerable routine business was done, and two new members were elected.  
Mr. Fisher, president of the union, accepted the invitation of the Chamberlain celebration committee to serve on that committee.  
The teamsters say that if sadden can be found they can turn out a body of 400 men to take part in the procession.  
The question of running a candidate for civic honors was discussed, but was referred to a later meeting.  
To cure Headache in ten minutes use KUMPORT Bedoune Powder.

### CANADA'S ARMY.

The Plan Which Will Give the Dominion a War Strength of 200,000 Men.

OTTAWA, March 1.—Chief Justice Tachereau will attend at the senate chamber on Thursday of next week as representative of his excellency and notify the two houses that the government general does not see fit to announce the reasons for calling parliament together until the commons have elected a speaker. Next day, Friday, his excellency will attend and formally open parliament with the customary ceremonial.  
The general lines on which new militia establishments have been drawn up are as follows: To provide for peace training establishments, to include all the officers and non-commissioned officers of corps and certain percentages of the rank and file. The total of the peace establishments will consist of 46,043 men. To provide for war establishments for all units or present units expanded to war strength by the new establishments will provide 100,000 men. This will be Canada's first line of defence. In addition to this important first line, these establishments further provide sufficient officers and non-commissioned officers to form the basis of a second. For example, each regiment of infantry will have a field officer, and each company a captain, a subaltern, a sergeant, a corporal and two men as their nuclei for this purpose. The intention being that as soon as the first line has been mobilized for active service these nuclei will set out with about training duplicates of the corps which have gone to the front, so in a very short time after mobilization there will be another line of 100,000 men can be put into the field.  
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A CHALLENGE  
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### ADMIRAL URIU.

Rear-Admiral Stokich Uriu, forty-seven years of age, the victor of Chemulpo, graduated from the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, in 1881. When a cadet, he accompanied General Sato on a Japanese expedition to Formosa, in 1874. He came of a very old Samurai (noble) family, of Kaga, on the Japan Sea. His government picked him out as one of the cleverest, most daring students of the Japanese Naval Academy, and sent him to this country to study. Before he became rear-admiral, he commanded the cruiser Matsushima, and the first-class battleship Yamashiro. During the war with China, he was naval attaché to the Japanese embassy in Paris. Since his promotion, he has been chief of the Bureau of Naval Intelligence of the Naval Department, a part of the general staff of the Japanese war office. It was he who planned the great naval war game, last year, which was subsequently reviewed by the Emperor himself at Kobe.

Admiral Uriu's wife is a charming Japanese lady, a graduate of Yassar, formerly Miss Nagai, sister of one of the most prominent merchants of the empire. They live in Tokio. The admiral's classmates at Annapolis recall him as a pleasant young man and a leading worker in the Young Men's Christian Association. They remember him as quiet and dignified, with a studious disposition and a determination to master English.—From "The Men Who Are Doing Things" for Japan" in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for March.

### FELT HIS IMPORTANCE.

A boy, having left school, started to work in a factory. At the end of his first day's work he returned home, evidently feeling quite a man. Taking off his hat and coat, he threw them on the floor, with a meaning look at his sister. "Look here, Jim," said she; "hang your clothes in their proper place."  
"Hang them up yourself," he replied.  
"Who do you think's keepin' yer?"—London Standard.

### LONDON, March 1.—The by-election

to fill the seat in the house of commons for the Normanton division of Yorkshire, west riding, rendered vacant by the death February 3 of Benjamin Pickard, liberal, has resulted as follows: W. Porritt, liberal and labor, 6,885; D. Dorman, conservative, 2,000; liberal majority.  
[At the last election in this division, Mr. Pickard, liberal, obtained a majority of 1,410 over C. L. Kaye, conservative.]

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### HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

WANTED—At once, a capable girl for general housework. Apply to MRS. R. CRUIKSHANK, 10 Mecklenburg street.  
WANTED—A good plain cook. Apply to MRS. LOUIS NELSON, 4 Leinster street.  
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WANTED—A girl on woman to work by the week or month. Can sleep home if required; no work will be finished by 6 o'clock in the evening. Apply at 25 Douglas avenue.  
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WANTED—AT ONCE—A plain cook for about a month. Apply to MRS. R. P. FORBES, 12 Gorman street.

### FLATS TO LET.

TO LET—Lower flat to let, seven rooms, patent water closet. Can be seen on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons. Apply at 75 Spring street.  
TO LET—From May 1st, good, comfortable, lower flat, 15 Brimley street, containing seven rooms. Rent, moderate. Apply to JOHN DUNLOP, 10 Waterloo street.  
FLAT TO LET—Second flat in new house, West End, containing double parlors, four bedrooms, bath room, kitchen, wood house, closets, etc. Apply at 20 King street, W. E.  
TO LET—Two or three small commodious flats on Bridge street, North End, at low rents. Enquire of J. E. FORTER, 15 Main street.  
TO LET—May 1st, self-contained house, 8 Charles street, occupied by present tenant seven years. Can be seen Friday from 3 to 6 p. m. on house 14 Charles street, from Garden street. Can be seen Wednesday and Friday afternoons. For particulars, apply MRS. GILLIS, 109 Union street.

### HOUSES TO LET.

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### STORES TO LET.

TO LET—From first of May, store No. 253 Brunswick street, now occupied by T. J. O'Connell. Apply on premises or to J. E. FORTER, 15 Main street.

### ROOMS TO LET.

TO LET—From 1st of May, seven rooms, modern improvements, No. 281 Charlotte street, opposite Queen's Square. Wednesday and Friday.

### TO LET.

TO LET—OFFICE—6 Prince Wm. street, over R. Q. Dunn & Co. Office furniture, rent and hot water heating. Possession given late May or sooner if required. Apply to GEO. H. V. BELLEVA, Barrister, Room 31, Barclay's Buildings, 42 Prince's street.

### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—NEWCOMBE PIANO at ball regular price. We have just received for immediate sale a Cabinet Grand "Newcomb" piano in choice Puri Walnut Case, but a short time in use. Cost originally \$400. Will be sold for \$275.00. This is a great snap. C. FLOOD & SONS.

FOR SALE—A farm, containing thirty-five acres, with a good house and two barns, situated on the road from St. John's to Lunenburg. Enquire of J. E. FORTER, 15 Main street, North End.

FOR SALE—The City Road, Carriage Factory, best located factory in the city. The building will be sold cheap. Enquire of W. E. NASH, at R. Nash & Son's, North End.

FOR SALE—One good Gladstone sleigh, only used three or four times, and in perfect condition. Will be sold cheap. Enquire of J. E. FORTER, 15 Main street, North End.

FOR SALE—One 14 in. Pipe, 20 ft. long, by J. E. FORTER, 15 Main street, North End.

FOR SALE—An acre of land, complete, near St. John's. Enquire of J. E. FORTER, 15 Main street, North End.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

MRS. STOTT, ladies' silk neck, late of St. John's, N. B. Open for engagements. Apply at 55 Spring street.

SEWING MACHINES—Bargain sale of second hand machines. American, \$20; Singer, \$15; New Home, \$10. Improved Raymond, \$12.00. All warranted. New Williams Sewing Machine at regular price. F. R. DELA, 19 Gorman street.

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY.

The regular quarterly meeting of the St. John Christian Endeavor Society was held last night in the Empress Street Methodist Church, Rev. W. C. Matthews, the presiding minister. The meeting was largely attended—in fact, this is the best attended meeting they have yet had.

### NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

The Natural History Society held its regular monthly meeting last night. A letter was read from Dr. S. E. Dawson, honorary secretary of the Royal Society, saying that he would be present to take part in the Champlain tercentenary.

William McIntosh read an interesting paper on the Housefly and its Relations.

Prof. Gannon sent in a paper dealing with New Brunswick animals and animal romances.

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